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For: INORGANIC FINE PARTICLES, INORGANIC RAW MATERIAL POWDER  
AND PROCESS FOR PREPARING THE SAME

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

Documents AA-AB and AF-AG were cited in an European Search Report dated January 11, 2006. A copy of the search report is also enclosed.

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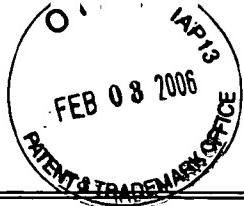
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